

**QUALIFIED PRODUCTS LIST
FOR
BLINDS, VENETIAN**

(This qualified products list is released for procurement purposes until revised or rescinded.)

SCOPE

Venetian blinds furnished under this qualified products list shall be limited to those manufacturers and their products herein named. All listed products have been qualified under the requirements of the N.C. specification for venetian blinds numbered 7230-1 (latest revision).

This qualified products list is not intended to include all varieties of the commodity as indicated by the title of this list, or which may be commercially available, but is intended to cover only those generally used by state agencies and public schools. Listing of a product is not intended to, and does not connote endorsement of the product by the State.

Manufacturer's changes in specifications: Any changes in specifications of the listed items shall be reported to this office in writing within five (5) working days after the change is implemented. The acceptability or lack thereof of the revised product will be made at the sole determination of the State. Failure to properly report changes in specifications in accordance with the above may result in removal of the item from this list.

Manufacturer's change in product identifier only: Any change in the product identifier of a listed item, where no change in manufacturer's specifications has occurred, shall be reported to this office in writing within five (5) working days after the change is implemented. The State reserves the right to investigate the circumstances and to subsequently accept or reject the reidentified product, whichever the State in its sole judgement deems appropriate. Failure of bidder to properly report changes in product identification in accordance with the above may result in removal of the item from this list.

Discrepancies in product identifiers: In instances where the manufacturer's product identifier and the identifier listed in the QPL differ, the State reserves the right to investigate the circumstances and to subsequently accept or reject the product in question, whichever the State in its sole judgement deems appropriate.

INTENDED USE

This list is intended for use by state agencies and public schools in procurement of approved venetian blinds. Use for any other purpose is not intended, and use for promotional purposes is specifically prohibited.

This listing does not constitute a formal contract with the manufacturers hereby listed, but lists only those qualities meeting requirements and these are the only ones that may be offered in the bidding procedure unless otherwise requested.

II. TYPES

Types considered and represented by evaluating an approved sample and test reports shall be as follows:

Type I - Tight closure blind 2" (50.8 MM) slat (Institutional Use)

Type II - Audio visual (Special Light Blackout) REQUIREMENT FOR THIS TYPE BLIND HAS BEEN DISCONTINUED.

Type III - One inch (25.4 MM) slat blind

Inclusion on this list does not relieve the manufacturer of his obligation to maintain the quality control necessary to insure that deliveries of his product will be not less in quality than the sample upon which the evaluation and rating was made.

Items approved and listed on this QPL must be furnished in the same style, design, brand identity, materials, and construction characteristics as reviewed, evaluated and approved. Any changes in any one of these characteristics or any discontinued series or model numbers must be noted in writing to this office and as directed above. Failure to do so may be sufficient justification for removal of manufacturer's name and products from this list.

III. LISTING

MANUFACTURER	TYPE	SLAT WIDTH	SERIES, MODEL
Hunter Douglas	I	2"	TWI-NIGHTER H2TC
	III	1"	DECOR HD80
	III	1"	DECOR CD80
Springs Window Fashions Div., Inc.	I	2"	BALI 2" ALUMINUM SCHOOL BLIND
	III	1"	8 MIL BALI CLASSICS (Series 3000)
Levolor Corporation	I	2"	RIVIERA 2" BLIND
	III	1"	RIVIERA 1" BLIND
Kirsch Company	III	1"	SUN-AIRE III

IV. BASIS FOR EVALUATION

- A. N.C. Specification 7230-V-1 for venetian blinds
- B. Samples
- C. Certificate of compliance from manufacturer
- D. Manufacturer's literature
- E. Questionnaires

V. WARRANTY

The contractor warrants to the owner that all venetian blinds furnished under this qualified products list will be new and of good material and workmanship, and agrees to replace promptly any part or parts which by reason of defective material or workmanship shall fail under normal use, free of negligence or accident, for a minimum period of five (5) years from date of acceptance of blinds and, if applicable, installation. Such replacement shall be free of any charge to the owner or his representative.

The contractor further warrants the installation of venetian blinds to be done according to the manufacturer's instructions and following best means available for a first class installation by reputable, competent installation professionals. The contractor agrees to replace, re-install, and make any adjustments necessary to keep installation to user's satisfaction, and at no cost to the owner or his representative, for a period of twelve (12) months from date of installation acceptance.

This qualified products list shall, until revised or rescinded, apply to each future purchase and contract for the commodity described herein. Retain for future reference.

Requests for additions to this qualified products list may be made by application in writing to the N.C. Department of Administration, Division of Purchase and Contract, Standards Section, 116 West Jones Street, Raleigh, North Carolina 27603-8002. Though the State normally solicits such additions on a periodic basis, it is the responsibility of the vendor to notify the Standards Section when vendor desires a model to be evaluated for the QPL.

Samples for consideration as additions or replacements to this qualified products list and certified copies of required test results from independent laboratory must be delivered to the Standards Section at least 120 days prior to expiration of the current contract.

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